- periodically determining whether the network devices are currently licensed; (n)
- submitting network activity queries to the central database for retrieving information on (o) activity of the network;
- outputting a network activity report based on the network activity queries; (p)
- submitting resource consumption queries to the central database for retrieving information on (q) resource consumption in the network;
- outputting a resource consumption report based on the resource consumption queries; and (r)
- generating an alert upon the occurrence of an event utilizing the information source modules. (s)
- 47. A method as recited in claim 46, wherein the alert is generated upon a value surpassing a predetermined amount
- 48. A method as recited in claim 46, wherein the alert indicates that services should be ceased.
- 49. A method as recited in claim 46, wherein the alert indicates that services should be ¹⁰provided

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<u>.</u> The claims of the present application have been amended to include subject matter clearly disclosed in the originally filed specification. No new matter has been added.

In the event a telephone conversation would expedite the prosecution of this application, the Examiner may reach the undersigned at (408) 505-5100. For payment of the fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, the Commissioner is authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1351 (Order No. XACTP014A). A duplicate copy of the transmittal is enclosed for this purpose.

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